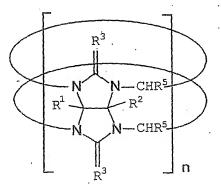
DEFINITIONS

Having regard to the cucurbiturils described in WO 00/68232 and US patent no. 6,365,734 and the inventor's further work, the class of cucurbiturils is broader than that described in either of WO 00/68232 or US patent no. 6,365,734.

10 As used herein, the term "cucurbituril" refers to a compound of the formula (C):

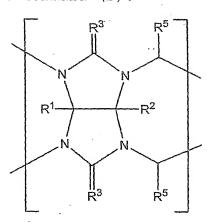
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wherein:

for each unit of the formula (D):



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(D)

(C)

in the compound, $\ensuremath{R^1}$ and $\ensuremath{R^2}$ may be the same or different, and